

# Sentencing Alternatives/Decisions & Probation Working Group

## Scope of Work Development

(Sentencing Reform Task Force/ Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice)

### Original Scope of Work presented for feedback to the SRTF on 11/10/2020

#### Proposed Scope of Work:

1. Examine probation practices regarding the use of conditions, length of supervision, responses to violations, and revocations
2. Examine cultural disparities in probation outcomes/practices
3. Examine impact on prison population
4. Redefine statutory purpose of probation
5. Evaluate probation level of supervision in the interest of proper dosage and approaches (e.g. avoiding over-supervision)
6. Consider alternatives that can be utilized at the time of sentencing

(See *Sentencing Alternatives/Decisions & Probation Working Group minutes, 10/30/2020<sup>1</sup>*)

#### SRTF Feedback:

- Regarding #2 - In addition to “examine” also “develop strategies” to reduce cultural disparities and DMC as well as gender disparities.
- Add - Study the prevalence of traumatic brain injury (TBI) in probation and develop recommendations regarding conditions and level of supervision for this population.

(See *Sentencing Reform Task Force minutes, 11/10/2020<sup>2</sup>*)

### Based on feedback above from the SRTF, the following scope of work was presented during the SRTF update to the CCJJ on 11/13/2020

(See *Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice minutes, 11/13/2020<sup>3</sup>*)

#### Proposed Scope of work with SRTF feedback integrated:

1. Examine probation practices regarding the use of conditions, length of supervision, responses to violations, and revocations
2. Examine ethnic and gender disparities in probation outcomes/practices and recommend strategies to abate disparate treatment and/or outcomes
3. Examine impact on prison population
4. Redefine statutory purpose of probation
5. Evaluate probation level of supervision in the interest of proper dosage and approaches (e.g. avoiding over-supervision)
6. Examine impact of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) in revocations and other outcomes and recommend strategies to better accommodate persons with TBI
7. Consider alternatives that can be utilized at the time of sentencing

#### CCJJ Feedback:

No additional feedback or requests

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<sup>1</sup> [cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ccjj/committees/SRTF/Minutes/2020-10-30\\_SRTF-SentADPWG-Minutes.pdf](https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ccjj/committees/SRTF/Minutes/2020-10-30_SRTF-SentADPWG-Minutes.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ccjj/committees/SRTF/Minutes/2020-11-10\\_SRTF-Minutes.pdf](https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ccjj/committees/SRTF/Minutes/2020-11-10_SRTF-Minutes.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> [cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ccjj/meetings/2020/2020-11-13\\_Minutes.pdf](https://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/ccjj/meetings/2020/2020-11-13_Minutes.pdf)